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September 1, 1982

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Mr. James W. Garvin, P.E. Donahue & Associates, Inc. 4738 North 40th St. Sheboygan, WI 53081

Dear Mr. Garvin:

This letter is to acknowledge receipt of an operations and abandonment plan for the city of Ripon Sanitary Landfill located in the SE4 of the SE4 of Section 7, T16N, R14E, Town of Ripon, Fond du Lac County by the Department of Natural Resources on August 3, 1982.

If you have any questions, please contact David Hantz at (608) 267-9409.

Sincerely,

Floyd F. Stautz

Asst. District Director-Env. Protection

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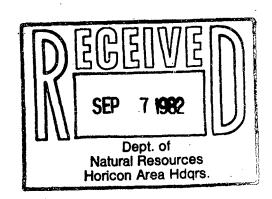
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July 21, 1982

City of Ripon 110 Jackson Street Ripon, WI 54971

Attn: Mr. Claude Lee

Director of Public Works

Re: Operations and Abandonment Plan Donohue Project No. 11829.000

Dear Mr. Lee:

We are pleased to present our completed "Operations and Abandonment Plan" for the City of Ripon Sanitary Landfill. The report discusses general and specific site operations in conjunction with phased abandonment.

We are forwarding ten copies of the report to you for internal distribution. Additionally, we are forwarding four copies to Ken Hein of the DNR.

We are pleased to have had this opportunity to work with the City of Ripon on this project, and wish to thank you for your fine cooperation. Please feel free to contact us if we can be of further assistance to you. As discussed, when the DNR has had an opportunity to review the report we will meet with the City to discuss their comments and to initiate the closure procedure at the landfill.

Sincerely,

DONOHUE & ASSOCIATES, INC.

James W. Garvin, P.E.

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Project Manager

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cc: Ken Hein, DNR

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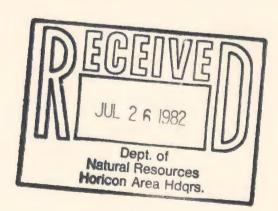
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Operations and Abandonment Plan

City of Ripon Landfill Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin

Prepared for City of Ripon



July 1982

Donohue & Associates, Inc. Engineers & Architects

OPERATIONS AND ABANDONMENT PLAN

CITY OF RIPON LANDFILL FOND DU LAC COUNTY, WISCONSIN

I hereby certify that this report was prepared under my direct supervision and that I am a duly Registered Professional Engineer under the Laws of the State of Wisconsin.

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James W. Garvin, P.E.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

INTRODUCTION

This report discusses the general and specific site operations in conjunction with phased abandonment of the City of Ripon landfill site. The intent of the report is to provide guidance to the operators on proper operation and to facilitate proper phased abandonment.

PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The scope of services are as follows:

- 1. Discuss the daily operations including waste types accepted or excluded; typical waste handling techniques; hours of operation; traffic routing; drainage and erosion control; windy, wet and cold weather operations; manpower requirements; sequencing; and other details of the daily operations of the landfill.
- 2. Prepare a conceptual final grading plan.
- 3. Prepare the necessary cross-sections and estimate the remaining site life of the landfill.
- 4. Prepare a drainage plan to show the direction of surface water flow during and at completion of the landfill operation.
- 5. Prepare site closing information consisting of a discussion of the anticipated sequence of events for site closing.
- 6. Summarize the financial obligations of the City for landfill abandonment.
- 7. Prepare a final land use plan addressing potential recreational facilities and adjacent topography.
- 8. Prepare a report summarizing the operations and abandonment plan.

GENERAL SITE INFORMATION

General site information is included on the following page.

GENERAL SITE INFORMATION

Name of Site: City of Ripon (#467)

Address of Site: CTH "NN" - Ripon, Wisconsin

Site Location: SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 7, T16N - R14E, Town of

Ripon, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin

Owner/Operator: Leased by City, operated by private contractor

(Randy Hein Excavating)

Remaining Site Life: 4-5 years

Licensed Acreage: 7.3 Acres

Total Acreage: 7.3 Acres

Present Property Owner: Mrs. Arline L. Sauer

Agencies Served: City of Ripon,

Town of Ripon

Waste Types: Typical municipal, commercial, and industrial solid waste,

including garbage, refuse, combustible and non-combustible

waste, brush, trees, and municipal sludge.

Covering Frequency: Daily

Estimated Weekly Quantities: 125 tons/week

Mode of Operation: Area fill

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Director of Public Works

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CHAPTER 2

GENERAL SITE OPERATIONS

GENERAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Ripon solid waste disposal site is located in the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 7, T16N - R14E. The operation of the 7.3 acre site began in 1963. The City maintains a sanitary landfill (license #467) under Department of Natural Resources classification standards. The facility is leased and was operated by the City of Ripon, but presently a contractor provides daily operational needs. In addition to the City of Ripon, the Town of Ripon also uses this landfill.

Appendix A contains correspondence from the DNR regarding the City of Ripon landfill site.

GENERAL SITE OPERATIONS

Waste Types and Quantities

Based on information provided by the City of Ripon officials, the existing landfill operation receives the equivalent of 6,600 tons of refuse per year. Using an in-place compaction density of 600 lbs/yd³, it is estimated that the landfill site receives approximately 22,000 cu yds of refuse per year. These volume estimates will be used to estimate the remaining site life.

The site presently serves a population of 8,500 town and city residents, and an additional 1,000 students at the Ripon College. The site is used by the City of Ripon and the Town of Ripon.

Waste types consist of typical municipal, commercial, and industrial solid waste, including garbage, refuse, combustible and non-combustible demolition waste, brush, trees, and municipal sludge.

Entrance Area

The general appearance of the visible portion of a landfill is important in the acceptance by surrounding residents. The entrance area serves as an interface between the sanitary landfill and the surrounding area. Proper signing, absence of litter, absence of mud from the roadway and well maintained vegetative cover enhances the overall appearance of the site. The visual appearance of the entrance area to the landfill should be improved to enhance the acceptance of the landfill by surrounding residents.

Fencing and Signs

To prevent unauthorized access or disposal, a perimeter fence should be placed around the entire boundary of the site. The gate at the entrance to the site should be repaired, other gates should be removed and replaced with fencing. A secure locking device should be included with the gate also. The perimeter fence and gate should be periodically checked for damage and should be cleaned of any accumulated blown paper and debris. The estimated cost for the perimeter fence and lockable gate is \$8,000.

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TO WASTE HAULEDS

A readily noticeable sign has been placed near the entrance to the landfill. The hours of operation are posted on the sign. The wastes not accepted, fees charged, and the name, address, and telephone number of the operating body should also be included.

Hours of Operation

Since the Ripon landfill site is a relatively small operation, the landfill operations are accomplished during normal working hours. The operating hours will remain the same;

> Monday and Friday - 12:00 to 3:30 Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday - 8:30 - 3:30 Saturday - 8:00 - 3:30 (closed first Saturday of each month)

Roadway

An important element in efficient landfill operation is accessibility and traffic flow. An internal road streamlines operations and prevents disposal of refuse at undesired locations. To ensure year-round operation, the road should be constructed of an all-weather material. In addition, the road should be kept in good condition at all times and he form in good condition at all times and be free of refuse, debris, and mud.

Waste should be deposited at the toe of the working face, because it can be compacted better there since it is worked up the slope rather than down. Scavenging should not be permitted, and no vehicles should be left unattended at the landfill site. Once the vehicle has deposited its load, it should leave immediately. All refuse vehicles should enter and exit via the main entrance area and roadway.

Control of Surface Water

Ponding water has occurred at the site in the past. In July of 1981, samples provide were taken at the pand located in the were taken at the pond located in the northeast corner of the site and analyzed to determine the acceptability of the water at the Ripon wastewater treatment plant. Appendix G contains the results of the chemical analyses.

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Surface water drainage courses should be diverted from the sanitary landfill by employing drainage swales. Drainage swales should be located upgradient of the active fill areas to prevent surface water from flowing over the exposed refuse. Surface water that runs over stockpiled cover material may contain suspended solids and should not be allowed to enter water courses unless it has been ponded to remove settleable solids. Generally, it is advantageous to divert runoff around stockpiled areas via drainage facilities to prevent runoff of sediments.

The drainage swales will be routed to a drainage ditch along CTH NN. Contact must be made with the County Highway Engineer to ensure proper location and sizing of the necessary roadside ditches.

Groundwater Monitoring

The following list presents the monitoring wells located at the site, along with the current status:

Well No.	Date Installed	Status
1	1974	Buried
2	1974	Buried
3	1974	Buried
4	1974	Buried
5	October, 1981	Operational
5A	May, 1982	Operational
6	October, 1981	Operational
7	March, 1982	Operational
8	October, 1981	Operational

Boring logs and well installation diagram for observation wells 5, 5A, 6, 7, and 8 are included in Appendix B. Appendix D contains a groundwater contour map for the site based on groundwater elevations taken in June of 1982.

Several attempts have been made to locate the four observation wells buried during previous landfill operations. When repeated excavations with a backhoe failed to locate three of the wells, it was concluded that additional efforts would be unwarranted.

Table 1 presents groundwater level readings for the operative wells. Table 2 presents the results of the groundwater chemical analyses. During continued site operation, elevation readings and groundwater samples should be taken from the observation wells quarterly.

TABLE 1
WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS
City of Ripon Landfill

			Novembe	November 20, 1981		March 29, 1982		25, 1982
Well No.	Elevation at Top of PVC	Ground Elevation	Depth to Water	Water Surface Measurement	Depth to Water	Water Surface Measurement	Depth to Water	Water Surface Measurement
5	869.91	868.01	48.75	821.16	48.6	821.31	47.75	822.16
5 A	869.28	867.92	NR		NR	~~~	47.77	821.51
6	862.74	860.74	39.33	823.41	38.0	824.74	38.45	824.29
7	866.88	864.91	NR		NR		42.54	824.34
8	847.72	845.42	23.92	823.80	23.0	824.72	23.07	824.65

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{NR}}$ - $\ensuremath{\mathsf{No}}$ reading, observation well not installed at this time.

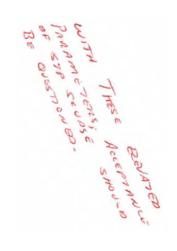
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TABLE 2

GROUNDWATER CHEMICAL ANALYSIS
City of Ripon Landfill

	No	ovember 20, 1	981			June 25, 198	32	
Parameter	50W	60W	WO8	50W	5A	60W	70W	80W
рН	8.03	7.07	7.24	6.81	7.49	6.85	7.20	6.92
Specific Conductivity (µmhos/cm)	807	1,287	1,486	1,620	710	1,185	1,305	2,785
COD - Soluble (mg/l)	16	46	43.5	38.0	65.0	8.7	43.1	73.0
Iron (mg/1)	0.20	0.47	0.36	7.9	0.49	0.17	0.53	1.2
Hardness (mg/l as CaCO ₃)	204	307	394	228	397	613	572	82.5
Alkalinity (mg/l as CaCO ₃)	303	342	542	522 233	333 	592	553 84.4	1,110
Chloride (mg/l)	47	228	208	1,620	710	1,185	1,305	359 2,785
Sulfate (mg/l)	64	4	22	<1	23.2	38.5	39.5	24.0





CHAPTER 3

SPECIFIC OPERATIONS AND ABANDONMENT

PRESENT SITE OPERATIONS

Landfill operations at the City of Ripon landfill site employ the area-fill method. Open burning is not practiced. Waste is covered daily. Sludge is accepted at the site. There is a white goods salvage area. However, this area should be relocated near the site entrance. Cover material is obtainable from the quarry operation located west of the existing landfill. Adequate cover material should be available on-site for abandonment and continued operations. Appendix C contains an Existing Site Conditions Plan Sheet illustrating present grades and other physical features of the site.

PROPOSED OPERATION

The efficient operation of a landfill site requires good management and an organized operation plan. Good management practices include sound operations at the site, compliance with current regulations, and efforts to prevent nuisance conditions at the site. The public is seldom aware of the planning efforts involved in a landfill operation and often will judge a project on its operational phase only. Competent and properly trained personnel are essential to promoting a positive image.

Adverse Weather Conditions

If blowing litter becomes a problem at the site, portable fences should be placed within the fill areas down wind of the working face to collect windblown litter. During extremely windy conditions the operator should make provisions for pickup of the windblown litter collected along the perimeter fence line. This practice will decrease the amount of litter that could be transported off site.

The material used for intermediate and daily cover at the site should be protected from freezing in the wintertime. Hay, straw, or leaves could be used for covering all borrow areas. Under snowy conditions, the snow will have to be cleared from the access road as required. The landfill operator should remove the snow from the working area and active fill areas, as necessary, using on-site equipment.

Access to the landfill site during wet weather can be difficult if proper precautionary measures are not employed. The primary access road to this site must be maintained in a suitable driving condition. Potholes and settlement in the roadbed should be filled with gravel or demolition type material and regraded to provide proper drainage.

The access road leading from the primary entrance site road to the active landfill area should also be adequately maintained. Collection vehicles entering and departing to and from the active landfill areas should be encouraged to utilize the same route.

Handling of Unusual Waste

Occasionally the landfill will accept unusual waste, such as dead animals or otherwise highly putrescible waste. In such cases the waste will be covered immediately with at least one-foot of daily cover material. This landfill will accept bulky waste. However, the operator has been granted permission to salvage white goods.

Dust Control

To date, dust nuisances originating from the present landfill operations have not been a serious problem. Due to the lack of dust problems with the existing site, there will be no formal dust control program other than watering any localized dust problems.

Daily Cleanup

Any wind blown litter or other waste material will be picked up on an asneeded basis from all perimeter fencing and returned to the working face. On extremely windy days paper pickup may be required more than once per day.

Salvaging

Salvaging by the operator is allowed at the City of Ripon landfill site.

Horizontal and Vertical Control

Appendix C contains an existing site conditions plan sheet. A grid system has been established on the plan sheet. A topographic survey of the site is shown on the base map for the existing site conditions sheet. Vertical control has been established at the site and is referenced to the temporary bench mark in the power pole, west of CTH NN (USGS datum).

Landfill Sequencing and Phased Abandonment

Appendix E contains the final grades and drainage for the site. Cross sections are contained in Appendix F and illustrate existing and final topography.

The sequence for continued landfill operation and partial abandonment is presented on the final grading and drainage plan sheet. Filling will begin in the southern portion of the landfill and proceed in a northerly direction.

Site Capacity

The final grades allow for approximately 4-5 years of additional refuse disposal at the City of Ripon landfill. Approximately 125,000 cubic yards of air space are available for filling based on the final grades presented in Appendix E.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ABANDONMENT

Sequence of Events for Closing

The following items provide a sequencial order of events which should be accomplished when closing a landfill site:

- At least 120 days prior to closure, the owner shall notify the DNR and users of the facilities of the intent to close the site.
- At least 60 days prior to closure, the following items shall be accomplished: the landfill area must be covered with a minimum of two feet of compacted soil, sloped to provide for runoff; surface water runoff must be diverted or conveyed through drainage ditches lined with clay; at least six inches of topsoil must be used to topdress abandoned fill areas.
- Within 10 days after terminating operation, the owner shall restrict access to the site, post notification of closure as well as the location of alternate disposal sites, and shall publish notification of closure in the local newspaper, forwarding a copy of such notification to the DNR.
- Abandoned landfill areas shall be seeded with native grasses and mulched and fertilized within 90 days after closure to re-establish vegetative growth.
- The site shall be inspected and maintained by the owner until it becomes stabilized, or until the owner's responsibility terminates, in accordance with the approved abandonment plan.

Final Grades and Drainage

The general requirements for final closure are set forth in subsection NR 180.13(12) of the Wisconsin Administrative Code entitled "Closure." The requirements state that:

- 1. Top slopes should be no less than 2 percent and side slopes no steeper than 33 percent.
- 2. Erosion and sedimentation of filled areas shall be limited by placement of berms and drainage swales. Whenever it is necessary to divert surface water over previously filled areas, drainage ditches must be constructed with two feet of clay liner in accordance with the Wisconsin Administrative Code.

A conceptual final grading plan providing for at least two feet of cover material and six inches of topsoil has been included in the operations and abandonment plan and is presented in Appendix E. Final grading plans were developed using a minimum of 4 percent slope as required by the DNR. Drainage swales are to be constructed as shown on the final grading plan for the abandoned site. The drainage swales will prevent precipitation runoff from entering the waste site.

Total cost for achieving final grades and drainage is estimated to be \$500. The breakdown for this estimate is as follows:

Item	1	Cost
1.	Grade surrounding area to reduce run-on	\$1,000
	Total	\$1,000

Final Cover Materials

The Wisconsin Administrative Code requires that all areas previously used for disposal purposes must be covered with at least two feet of compacted earth, sloped adequately to provide surface water runoff. Fine textured soils should be used for final cover material to minimize surface water infiltration. Final cover soils should have 50 percent fines passing a No. 200 sieve.

As final covering for the site, six inches of topsoil should be placed over the final cover soil and upon all borrow areas. The purpose of the topsoil is to keep the soil moist, thereby minimizing cracking, and to provide a suitable growth medium for vegetation. Cross-sections of the final grading plan are presented in Appendix F. A typical detail of final cover materials is also included in Appendix F.

Table 3 summarizes the estimated quantities of cover materials required for closure of the City of Ripon landfill site.

Total cost for final cover materials is estimated to be \$24,900. The breakdown for this estimate is as follows:

<u>Item</u>		Cost
1.	Cap the entire site with clay (present day cost of \$0.30/yd³ subject to increase - 20,000 cu yds)	\$ 6,000
2.	Place topsoil (6,300 cu yds)	\$18,900
	Total	\$24,900

Site Revegetation and Screening

The first step in establishing and maintaining a dense vegetative growth upon the site is to shape and slope the area. A minimum slope of two percent is required by the DNR for the site. A six-inch layer of topsoil will be placed as a final graded surface. All topsoiled areas should be fertilized prior to seeding. One application of fertilizer should be applied to initiate the growth of grasses. The fertilizer should be worked into the soil to a depth of approximately three inches using ordinary tillage methods. Once the seeded vegetation reaches maturity, the fully developed root systems should be capable of sustaining future growth. It is anticipated that future fertilizer applications will not be required.

· TABLE 3

ESTIMATED FINAL COVER MATERIALS City of Ripon Landfill

Soil Material	Approximate Volumes (cu yd)
Clay - 2' seal for landfilled area and drainage ditches	20,000
Topsoil - 6" layer over drainage ditches, borrow, and landfilled	
areas	6,300
TOTAL COVER MATERIAL	26,300

Several species of grasses and legumes best suited for reseeding of the disturbed areas are listed in Table 4. Legumes should be used in the spring. Shorter grasses should be used in the fall. A mechanical seeder should be used to spread the seeds evenly over the entire surface area.

Normally, the last step is to uniformly mulch the area with hay or straw. Mulching protects the seeds from adverse weather conditions and minimizes erosion by water or wind during seed germination. Mulch material should be applied evenly at a rate of one-half to one ton per acre, six to seven stems thick.

Tree plantings should be placed along the western edge of the landfill site and within the property fence. Additional plantings may be required in the northeast corner of the site. The plantings will visually screen the site from the roadway. It is important that the plantings be planted in the very near future.

Total cost for site revegetation is estimated to be \$8,500. The breakdown for this estimate is as follows:

Item	<u>1</u>	Cost
1.	Seed, fertilizer, and mulch area	\$7,500
2.	Plantings	\$1,000
	Total	\$8,500

Future Site Maintenance

Inspection and maintenance of landfill sites by the owner are required until the area becomes stabilized. Any sizeable depressions or changes in surface grade resulting from settling of the decomposing refuse should be immediately filled, reseeded, and mulched, since depressions can result in improper drainage and may permit surface water to infiltrate the cover material and reach the underlying refuse.

Additionally, dense vegetation must be maintained on side slopes of filled areas, borrow areas, ditch banks, and drainage ditches to prevent erosion and sedimentation, which could also result in restricted surface water runoff. As part of a continuing site maintenance program, barren or sparsely vegetated areas should be tilled, reseeded, and mulched as necessary to re-establish vegetative growth.

As part of a maintenance schedule to ensure site stabilization, the landfill site should be inspected semi-annually. The inspection should normally be conducted in the fall and spring for several years following abandonment, generally for a three-year period. For the remainder of the long-term maintenance program, the site should be inspected annually for potential problems.

TABLE 4
SEEDING MIXTURES AND APPLICATION RATES
City of Ripon Landfill

Item	Species/Type	Rate per Acre
Fertilizer	10-10-10	500 lb
	20-10-10	500 lb
	12-12-12	500 lb
Spring Seeding		
Alternative #1	Empire Birdsfoot Trefoil*	8 lb
-	Kentucky Bluegrass	6 lb
	Creeping Red Fescue	5 lb
Alternative #2	Empire Birdsfoot Trefoil*	8 lb
-	Kentucky Bluegrass	5 lb
	Smooth Brome	8 lb
	Tall Fescue	8 lb
	Annual Rye Grass	5% by weight
Fall Seeding		~ - ,g
Alternative #1	Kentucky Bluegrass	16 lb
	Creeping Red Fescue	8 1b
	Annual Rye Grass	5-10% by weight
Alternative #2	Kentucky Bluegrass	2 lb
	Smooth Brome	20 lb
	Tall Fescue	10 1b

^{*}Trefoil is a legume and should be used for spring planting only. Trefoil must be innoculated prior to seeding.

Total cost for future site maintenance is estimated to be \$1,000. The breakdown for this estimate is as follows:

Item	<u>!</u>	Co	<u>ost</u>
1.	Periodic facility inspection	\$	500
2.	Routine maintenance activities	<u>\$</u>	500
	Total	\$1	,000

Future Groundwater Monitoring

A background sample series has been obtained from each well. Samples should be gathered quarterly for the first three years following abandonment and analyzed to determine the concentration of the following parameters:

- 1. pH
- 2. COD
- 3. Chloride
- 4. Sodium
- 5. Nitrate Nitrogen
- 6. Specific Conductance
- 7. Groundwater Elevation

Following the first three years, samples should be collected and analyzed annually.

Total cost for future groundwater monitoring is estimated to be \$300/collection period.

The following observation wells 50W, 5A, and 70W will need to be extended during the time period that final grades are being achieved.

Future Gas Monitoring

The possibility of explosive gases migrating from the decomposing refuse is a matter of concern, as the naturally occurring sandy soils are conducive to gas migration. Gas migration is not a potential hazard at the City of Ripon landfill site due to the rural nature of the site. The area is surrounded by agricultural land without human habitation in close proximity.

Final Landfill Uses

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Most restored landfill sites are ultimately used for recreational purposes, due to the peculiar problems associated with such areas, such as poor bearing capacity of surface layers, settlement over decomposing refuse, and the possibility of the accumulation of dangerous gases in the refuse cells.

The microbial decomposition of compacted refuse generally continues for a number of years, and the resulting chemical and structural changes can lead to shifting of the cover material. This type of movement would seem to preclude the building of permanent structures on filled areas.

Uses of adjacent properties must also be considered when determining the eventual utilization of landfills; final uses must conform with land uses and zoning of the surrounding areas.

Most completed landfill sites are eventually used as a passive recreational area or open areas within tree plantings. Once the reseeded vegetation matures, it will be ideal for forage and nesting habitat of the numerous wildlife species that abound in the area. The plantings should be planted in the near future.

Summary

The following cost summary presents the actual costs involved in continued operation and phased abandonment of the City of Ripon landfill site:

Iter	<u>n</u>	Estimated Cost
1.	Perimeter fencing	\$8,000
2.	Final grades and drainage	\$1,000
3.	Final cover materials	\$24,900
4.	Site revegetation and screening	\$8,500
5.	Future site maintenance	\$1,000/year
6.	Future groundwater monitoring	\$1,200/yr (for first 3 yrs follow- ing closure and \$300/yr thereafter)

APPENDIX A CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM DNR



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December 30, 1981

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Mr. Claude A. Lee Department of Public Works City Building 100 Jackson Ripon, WI 54971

Groundwater Monitoring at the

City of Ripon-Town of Ripon Landfill.

License No. 467

Dear Mr. Lee:

The Bureau of Solid Waste Management, Department of Natural Resources, has completed its review of the recently installed monitoring system at the City of Ripon-Town of Ripon landfill. The monitoring system was presented to the Department by Donohue and Associates, Inc. in a letter dated November 17, 1981 and received November 19, 1981.

The original purposes of the monitoring system were to determine groundwater flow directions in and around the site and to provide sampling points for long-term monitoring of groundwater quality. Three water table observation wells were installed which meet Departmental specifications for such wells. New well #1 is located in the southwest corner of the site in poorly to well graded sands and silty sands (classified SP, SP-SM, SM and SW in the Unified Soil Classification System). New well #2 was emplaced in the southeast corner through 11 feet of silty soils (ML in the USCS) underlain by poorly graded sands (SP in the USCS). One large, seven-foot diameter limestone boulder was encountered during the drilling of this well. The upper seven feet of the well's screen is surrounded by this boulder, including the portion where the water table presently intersects the well screen. New well #4, in the northeast corner, was emplaced in four to eight feet of fill which overlies poorly to well graded sandy soils. A 15-foot well screen in each well was positioned such that approximately five feet of screen remained above the water table. This configuration should accommodate the widely fluctuating water levels historically observed in the vicinity of this site. It is our understanding that physical difficulties in the field prevented installation of two additional proposed wells. A fourth observation well was to have been located in the northwest corner of the site. A fifth well, located adjacent to a downgradient observation well and constructed as a piezometer with a maximum five-foot screen at least 15 feet below the bottom of the observation well's screen, would have provided information with regard to vertical gradients at the site. The three new wells and any existing old wells (particularly old well #3, if found) were sampled on November 20, 1981, according to Ken Hein, DNR District Solid Waste Specialist. Water elevations were to have been taken and water samples taken and analyzed in accordance with NR 180.13(11)(a)f, with the addition of sulfate.

The Department's analysis of the information enclosed with the November 17, 1981 Donohue letter is as follows. Water level elevations at the time of well construction were:

Well #1: 53.6 feet Well #2: 55 feet Well #4: 53.8 feet

Elevations have been rounded to significant digits and are relative to an assumed datum which is based on a nail in a power pole in the southwest corner of the property. Based on these values, it appears that groundwater flow is toward the north and west away from the southeast corner of the site. This is contrary to what would be expected from historic data and from the regional topography which both suggest a southwesterly gradient. Also, the gradient is much steeper, by approximately an order of magnitude, than has been formerly observed at the site. The November 1981 monitoring results may be instructive as to whether or not this apparent flow situation is temporary or long-term.

While the presence of the large boulder surrounding the upper portion of the screen of well #2 may be of concern, it is the Department's opinion that well #2 would accurately reflect the position of the water table since theOsand backfill in the borehole allows for pressure equalization both above and below the boulder. It should be remembered, however, that water sampled from this well would be obtained from the lower 8 feet of screen rather than the entire 15 feet, as long as the water table remains below the top of the boulder. In this case, concentrations of contaminants near the water table may not be described in this well.

The Department recommends the following with respect to the groundwater monitoring program:

- 1. The elevation of the end of well #2 should be determined to at least 0.1 foot accuracy.
- 2. Water level elevations should be taken to 0.01 foot accuracy. This is necessary in order to determine groundwater flow directions where such a gently-sloping water table is expected.
- 3. The fourth and fifth proposed well should be installed. The fourth well should be placed in the northwest area of the site. The fifth well should be placed as close to new well #1 in the southwest corner and be screened at least 15 feet below the bottom of the screen of well #1. Its screen should be no longer than five feet and should be protected from possible contamination by the placement of an impermeable seal immediately above the screen.
- 4. The numbering scheme of the new wells should be altered so as to avoid confusion with identically-numbered old wells at other locations in the fill area.

- 5. The assumed datum should be tied in with the United State Geological Survey datum used on topographic maps. This is strongly recommended since both the nail and the power pole are temporary landmarks.
- 6. Sulfate may be dropped from the list of parameters to be monitored. Its original inclusion in the list was a result of a Departmental misunderstanding regarding waste types which have been placed in the landfill.
- 7. Should any of the new wells cease to function or be destroyed, the Department must be notified in writing immediately. In either case, such wells must be properly abandoned and replaced within 60 days of notification to the Department unless the City is notified otherwise in writing by the Department. This is a requirement of NR 180.13(11)(a)6, Wisconsin Administrative Code. Any old wells which may be found are to be reported to the Department, surveyed and properly abandoned.

While the Department is not requiring that the City implement the above points (with the exception of number 7, which is a requirement of NR 180), we strongly recommend that the City does so. In view of the highly permeable soils and high water table conditions which exist at this site, it is extremely important that a groundwater monitoring program be established which will define flow patterns, evaluate the extent of any existing contamination, and estimate directions of potential contaminant migration. This information is needed very soon in order to prepare for the orderly completion and proper abandonment of the landfill site.

Please respond to the Department in writing at your earliest convenience regarding the recommendations outlined in this letter. We would also appreciate receiving the results of the November 20, 1981 monitoring round as soon as they are available. If you have any questions, you may contact me at (608) 267-7568 or Ken Hein at (414) 485-4434.

Sincerely,

Bureau of Solid Waste Management

Barbara J. Bickford, Hydrogeologist

Residuals Management and Land Disposal Section

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cc: J. Frank/K. Hein - Horicon Area

S. Haverl/R. Klink - Donohue & Associates, Inc.

January 29, 1982

Bureau of Solid Waste Management Department of Natural Resources P.O. Box 7921 GEF-2 Madison, WI 53707

Attn: Ms. Barbara Bickford

Re: City of Ripon Sanitary Landfill Donohue Project No. 11829.000

Dear Ms. Bickford:

In response to your review letter dated December 30, 1981, this letter presents our proposals concerning your recommendations for the Ripon Sanitary Landfill. Our proposals follow a point by point discussion of your recommendations.

- 1. A review of data was conducted with the geotechnical firm responsible for well installation. Their records indicate that 47.0 feet of well stem and screen were installed below grade. Accordingly, the elevation of the well end is 44.9 (rounded to assumed local datum).
- Water levels recorded on November 20, 1981 were taken at .01 accuracy. Groundwater elevations recorded on that date are:

Well #1 - 52.28 Well #2 - 54.55 Well #4 - 54.92

Elevations are relative to assumed local datum.

- 3. In response to your request for installation of two additional wells, we are currently soliciting price quotations from several geotechnical firms. Upon receipt of those quotes we will proceed with the additional work.
- 4. To prevent further confusion regarding "old" and "new" wells, we propose the following renumbering of the recently installed wells:

Existing Well # Proposed Well # Well #1 Well B-5 Well #2 Well B-6 Well #4 Well B-8

- 5. United States Geological Survey (USGS) datum will be provided at our earliest opportunity.
- 6. Although sulfate analyses have been conducted on previously obtained samples, this analysis will no longer be conducted.
- 7. The requirements of NR180.13(11)(a)6, will be adhered to.

We feel that these remarks should satisfy your requests. Also enclosed is a copy of the chemical analyses performed on the groundwater samples obtained on November 24, 1981.

Should clarification of this discussion or further information be necessary, do not hesitate contacting us.

Very truly yours,

DONONHUE & ASSOCIATES, INC.

CITY OF RIPON

James W. Garvin, P.E. Associate

Claude A. Lee Director of Public Works

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Ms. Barbara Bickford January 29, 1982 Page 2

APPENDIX B BORING LOGS AND WELL INSTALLATION DIAGRAMS

Donohue

November 17, 1981

State of Wisconsin
Department of Natural Resources
P. O. Box 7921
Madison, WI 53707

Attn: Ms. Barbara Bickford

Bureau of Solid Waste Management

Re: City of Ripon Landfill

License No. 467

Donohue Project No. 11829

Dear Ms. Bickford:

In accordance with the authorization of the City of Ripon, we have completed installation of new monitoring wells at the referenced site. The purpose of the monitoring wells is to determine the position of the phreatic surface beneath the site and to provide groundwater sampling points for long-term water quality analyses.

The monitoring well array consists of three wells completed at varying depths so that ten feet of screen occurs below the water table and five feet above. Our original intention was to place four wells at the corners of the site to account for all spatial conditions. During field efforts, however, extreme difficulty was encountered in the northwest corner precluding completion of that well. Subsequent review of the water table and geologic data indicates pronounced uniformity of stratigraphic conditions and low gradients slightly falling to the southwest. We feel that the three well array will provide acceptable monitoring control within the operative budget constraints. Complete soil boring logs and well installation diagrams are attached.

Water analytic parameters will be performed in accordance with NR 180.13,(11), (a), 7 and will include water elevation, field pH, field conductivity, COD, dissolved iron, hardness, chloride, sulfate, and alkalinity. We anticipate acquisition of the first series of samples during the third week of November and will forward the data when complete.

Donohue

I trust you will find this discussion in order. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,

DONOHUE & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Stephen J. Haverl, P.G. Senior Engineering Geologist

Robert Klink, P.E.

Robert Klink, P.E. Project Engineer

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enc: Soil Boring Logs

Well Installation Diagrams

cc: Ken Hein, DNR Solid Waste Specialist

Claude Lee, City of Ripon

Ms. Barbara Bickford November 17, 1981 Page 2

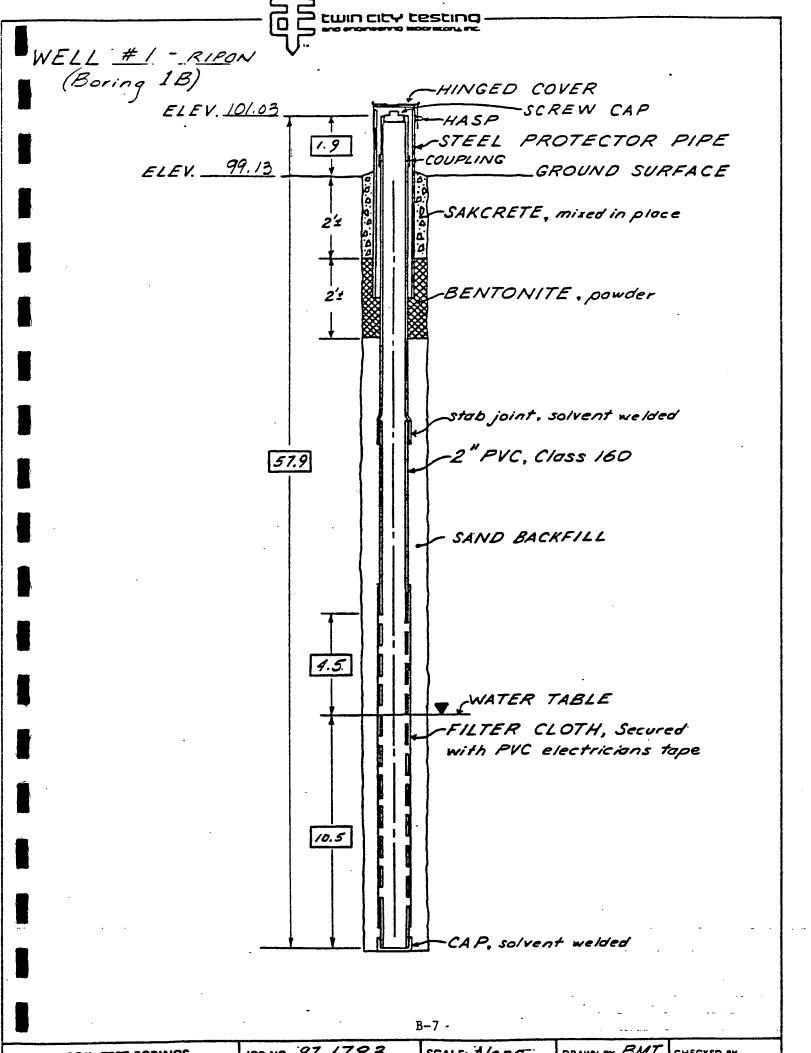
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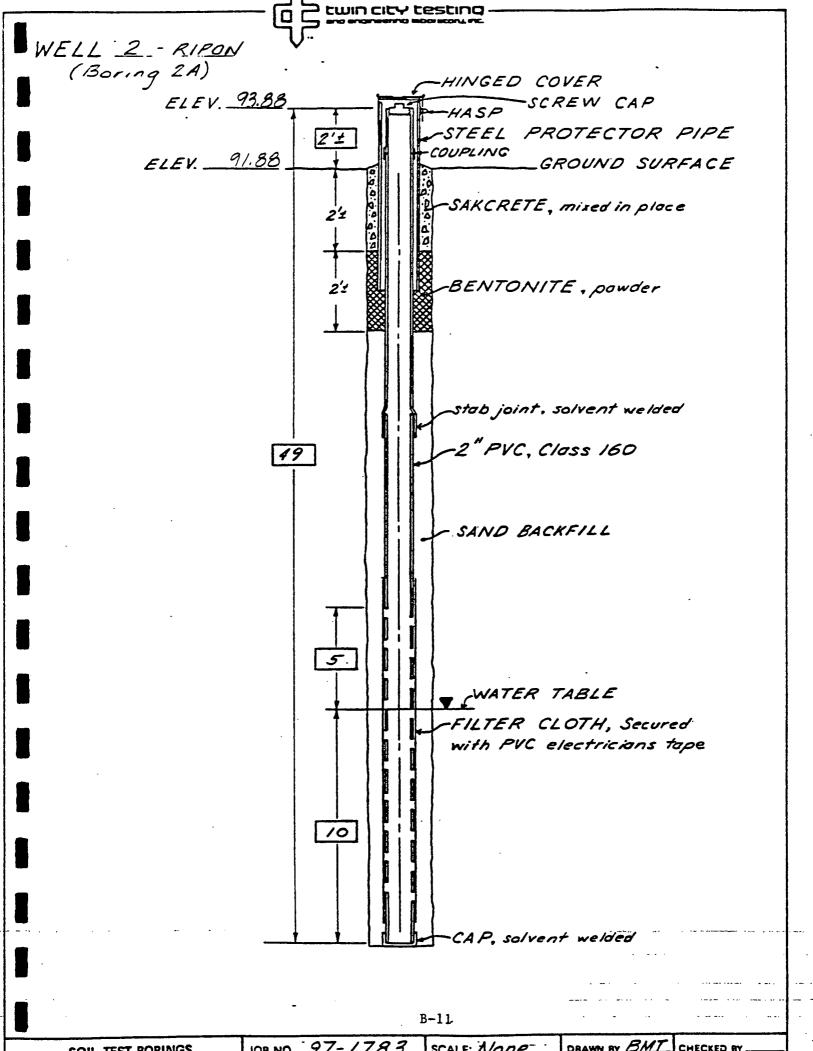
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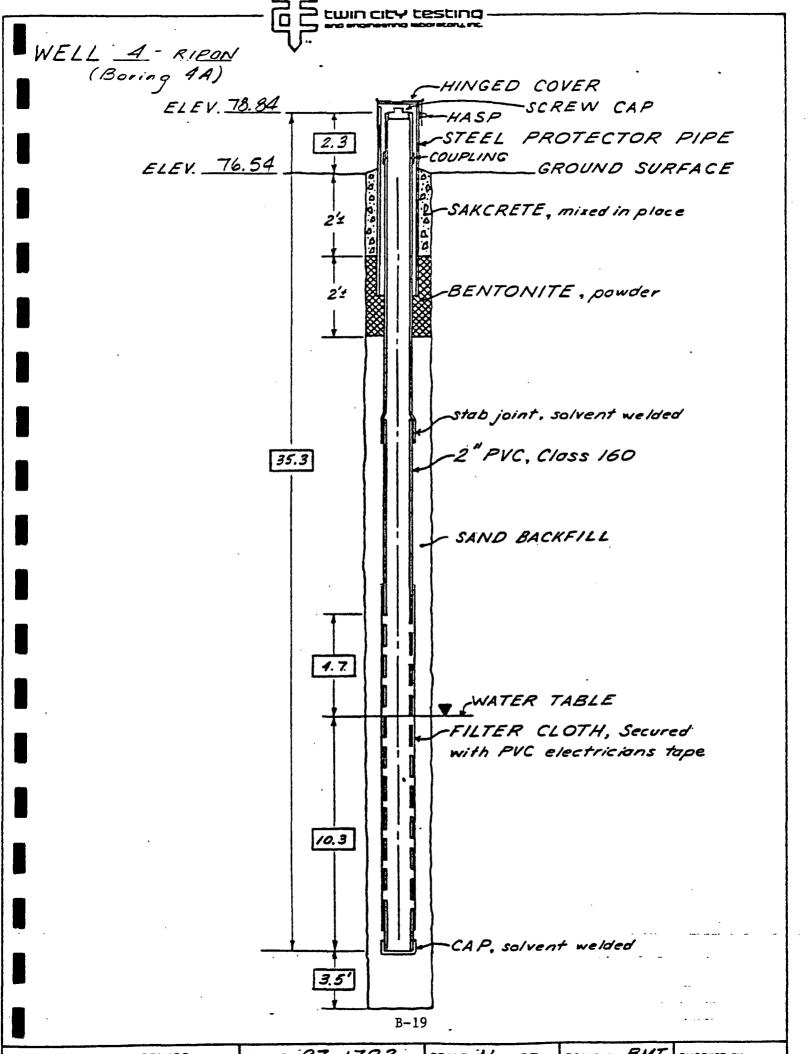
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CONSULTING SOIL AND FOUNDATION ENGINEERS W2281083 WESTMOUND DRIVE/WAUKESHA, WI 53186/414 544 0118

June 7, 1982

Donohue and Associates, Inc. P.O. Box 1067 4738 North 40th Street Sheboygan, Wisconsin 53081

Attention: Mr. Jay Batzner

Subject:

Ripon Landfill Ripon, Wisconsin

GEA Project No. 820328

Dear Jay:

Enclosed are the logs and diagram of the well construction for the above referenced project.

If you should have any questions or comments on this project, please do not not hesitate to call. Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

Sincerely,

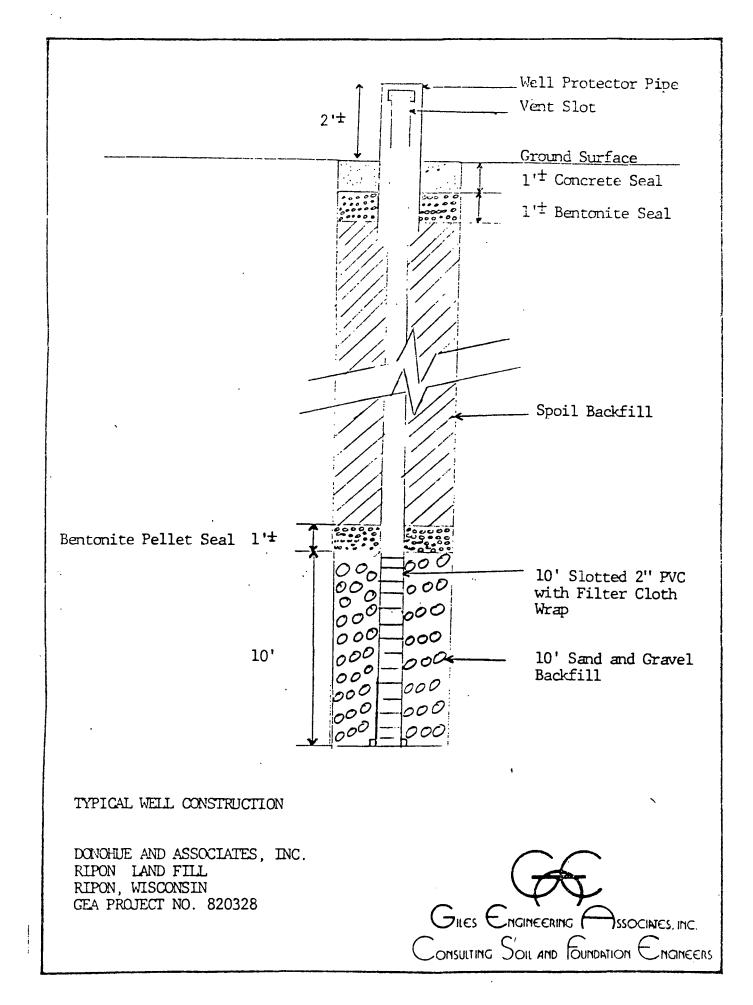
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Drilling Department Manager

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Enc: Logs 5A and B7 Well Diagram



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Brown Silt,	fine to coarse Sand, and	20′ _	5-SS	22					
- Gravel with - Damp - - -	n Cobbles and Boulders	25′ <u></u> -	6-SS	50				·	
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Drove Bould	der - No Sample	40′ _	9-SS	50/1''					
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DESCRIPTION	Depth Below Surface	Sample No. & Type 10-SS	N 50/0"	q _u	q _p	Q _s	w	REMARKS
Drove Limestone Boulders	50' _	11-SS	50/0'					
Continuous Limestone Boulders No Sample	55' _	12-SS	50/0"					
Gray Silt, fine to coarse Sand, and Gravel - Wet	60'	13-SS	60					
Brown fine to coarse Sand with some coarse to medium Gravel and Clay Wet	65' _	14-SS	34					
	70' _	15-SS	58					
Boring terminated at 71' Well Installed to 69'	75' -							
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Ripon Land Fill, Ripon, Wisconsin				GEA Project No.: 820328				
DESCRIPTION Ground Surface Elevation	Depth Below Surface	Sample No. & Type	N	q _u	q _p	q,	w	REMARK
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Brown fine to medium Gravel with Miscellaneous Garbage Fill - Wet	10'	3-SS	9					
Brown Silty Clay with fine to c oarse Sænd ænd Miscellæneous Garbage Fill - Wet	15' -	4-SS	12					
	20′ _	_5-SS_	12					
Brown Silty Sand and Gravel with Miscellaneous Garbage Fill - Wet	25' <u>-</u>	6-SS	7					
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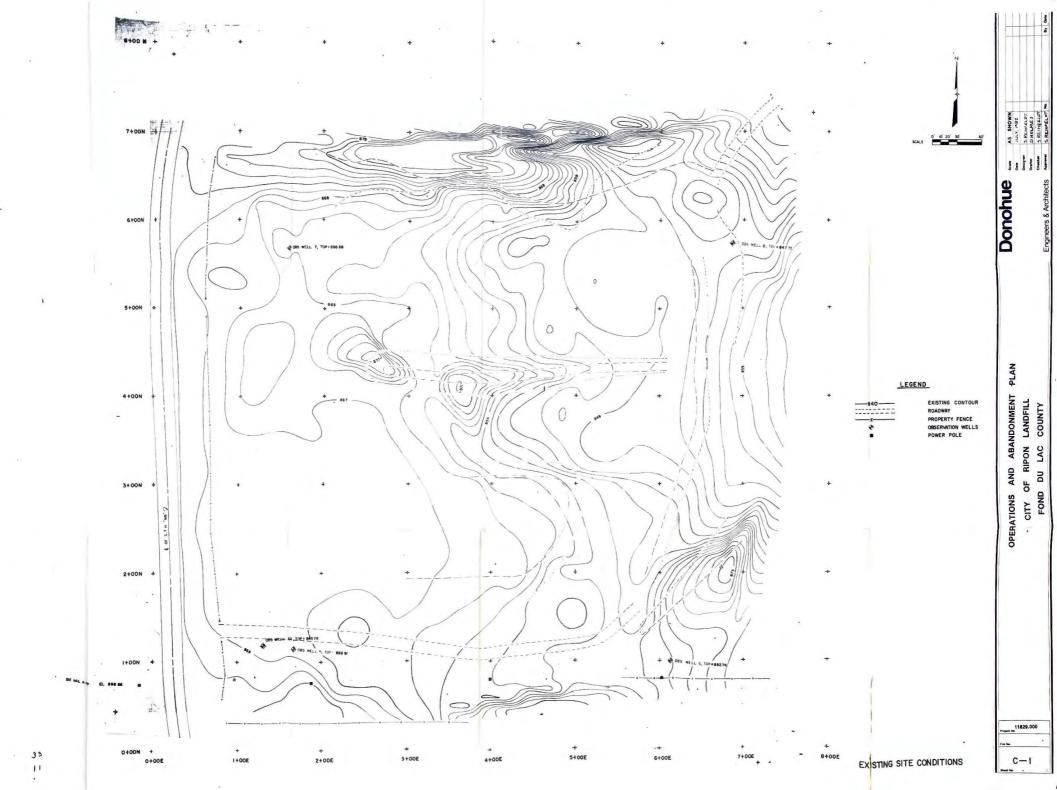
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APPENDIX C EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS



APPENDIX D GROUNDWATER CONTOUR MAP



APPENDIX E FINAL GRADES AND DRAINAGE



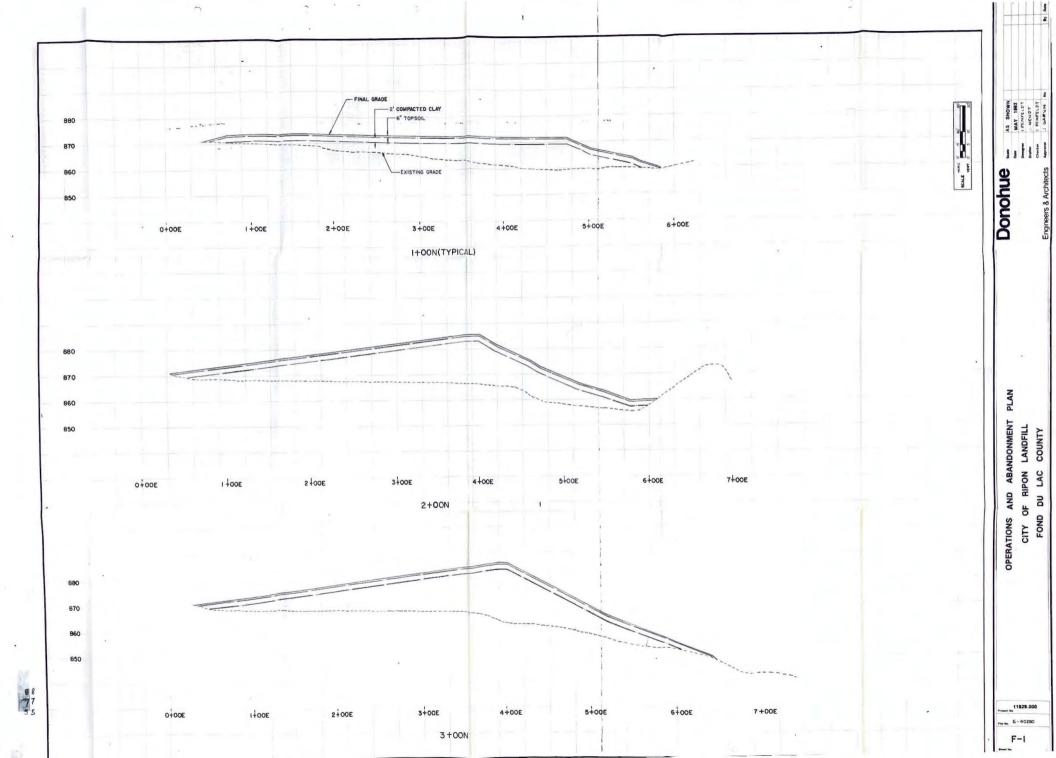
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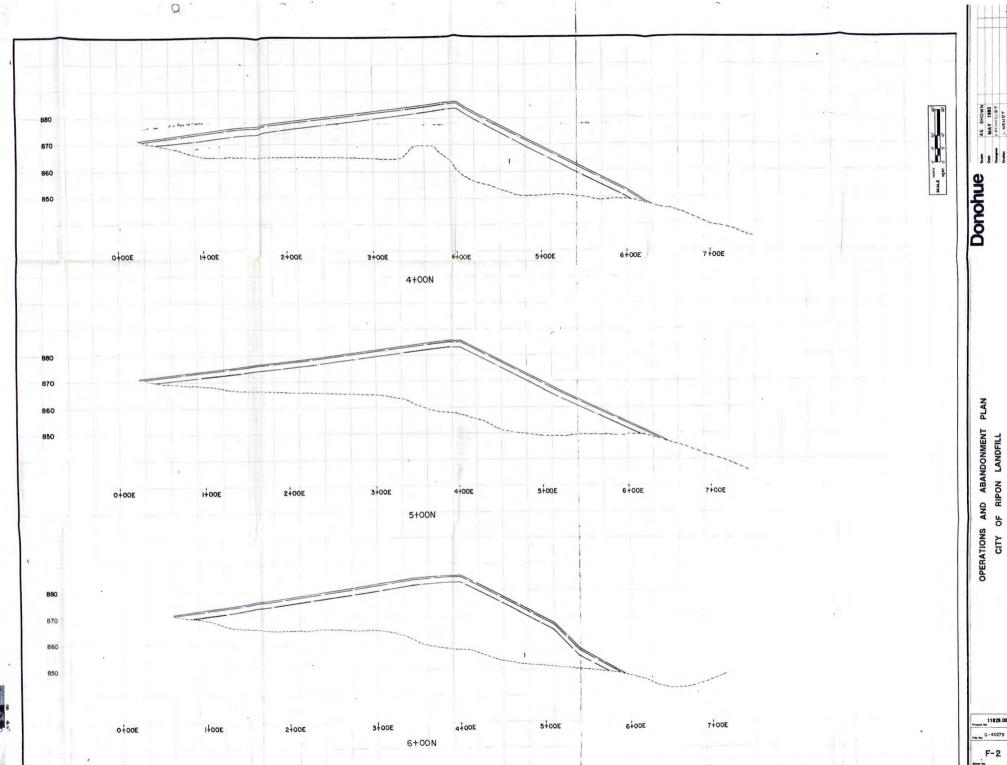
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APPENDIX F
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APPENDIX G
WATER QUALITY DATA

July 30, 1981

City of Ripon 100 Jackson Street Ripon, WI 54971

Attn: Mr. Claude Lee

Director of Public Works

Re: City of Ripon Landfill

Donohue Project No. 11829.000

Dear Mr. Lee:

At the July 7 meeting at the landfill with yourself, Donohue, and the DNR representative, the DNR representative stated that the City of Ripon should drain and treat (at the Ripon treatment plant) the standing liquid that has ponded on the northeast corner of the landfill site. As a result of this DNR order, we ran the following tests on the mixed and unmixed samples you procured for our lab on July 7, 1981.

The results are presented below:

Mixed Sample*	Unmixed Sample*
Mixed Sample* 49 mg/l BOD 529 mg/l COD 1,600 mg/l SS 1.16 mg/l Total P 18.4 mg/l TKN 8.34 pH 2,000 mmhos Conductivity 0.10 mg/l As 0.01 Cd	Unmixed Sample* 32 mg/l BOD 349 mg/l COD 76 mg/l SS 0.74 mg/l Total P 13.0 mg/l TKN 8.62 pH 1,400 mmhos Conductivity
0.20 mg/l Cr 0.10 mg/l Cu 0.45 mg/l Pb 47.2 mg/l Fe 80.5 mg/l K 0.17 mg/l Ni 1.8 mg/l Zn 250 mg/l Cl	

*We received one sample of the standing water (unmixed) and one sample after the pond was stirred (mixed).

From these results of the lab tests, it appears as though the liquid should not cause problems to the City of Ripon wastewater treatment plant based on suspended solids, BOD, and COD concentrations. The metals concentrations also do not appear to be high enough to be toxic to the activated sludge process. There was no pesticide scan run on the samples. It would be best, however, to feed the liquid to the plant slowly.

If there are any questions regarding these results, please feel free to contact us in this regard.

Very truly yours,

DONOHUE & ASSOCIATES, INC.

James W. Garvin, P.E. Associate

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Mr. Claude Lee July 30, 1981 Page 2